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Sir:

This communication is in response to the telephone call that the Examiner made on March 13, 2003, to the undersigned Attorney-of-Record in the above-identified patent application. In its Response to the Restriction Requirement that Applicant filed on October 14, 2002, Applicant had elected Group I Claims 1-33, 35, 40, 45, 46, 53 and 54. The Examiner, in his telephone call, asked that a clean copy of the elected claims be faxed to the Examiner. Accordingly, Applicant is faxing a clean copy of just the elected claims herewith. The numbering of the claims herein reflects the changes Examiner Donna Wortman made in the Office Action dated October 2, 2002, to correct a typo in the originally filed claims.

If the Examiner has questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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